

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

As American citizens, we should value our right to vote. It wasn't until 5 years ago when I truly understood what it meant for me to have the freedom to go to the polls to vote. Several years ago, my family vacationed in several countries, beginning in Copenhagen and ending in St. Petersburg. My son-in- law always arranges for a private car and driver on these trips. It works well for us, especially with my husband's mobility. I will to this day remember our guide in one of the smaller countries. She was a pretty lady with blonde hair who for some reason reminded me of Doris Day. After all this time, I have never stopped thinking of her. She spoke of her country being taken over by another country. Her children were babies. Milk was very scarce, and the shelves were empty. The streets were filled with guards. To this day, she was aware that it could happen again.

As we moved on to a larger country, we again felt the restrictions in the air. The guide was a young, attractive girl who was working hard to better her life. She was so proud that she was able to purchase a dishwasher for her family. She always said very positive things about her country. Later in the trip, I found myself standing in the Kremlin admiring all the beautiful architecture. As I was observing the architectural wonders, I remembered the Cuban missile crisis in 1962. I was young, but I was never so scared as I was for those few days. To be standing in the Kremlin was surreal. After our trip, voting and freedom took on a whole new meaning for me. As Americans, we are blessed to live in a country with the right to voice our opinions. I will never take anything for granted again.

Our November program is going to help us to remember the role that women had in our being able to cast our ballots in this 2020 election.

So we begin the month of November exercising our right to vote and end the month with a national day of thanksgiving.

Let's remember to be thankful for all that we have, and not necessarily what we think we "should" have. I am grateful for each of you and all the gifts that we share here in The Woman's Club of San Antonio.

Jane Stone
President



# **Meetings & Luncheons**

Due to the special precautions with COVID:

We will have special seating set up for meeting & luncheon ~ masks are required except for luncheon seating.

For the set up it is especially important to RSVP by the prior Monday for the luncheon AND meeting attendance.

Please make your RSVP by Monday to Karin Fee

Wednesday meetings begin at 11:00 at the Woodward House

Luncheon: \$25 RSVP: Karin Fee @ 210-352-0467 by the prior Monday @ 10:00 a.m. w/ payment.

If you are unable to attend in person, please join the meeting & program via Zoom

Check your email for the Zoom link from the Woman's Club.

Our business meeting begins at 11:00, Wednesday, November 4th

## Our program will be:

"Don't Forget the Ladies: Tennessee the Final State", Celebrating the Ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment

Speaker: Dr. Michelle Tabit, Ph.D.

**Theme:** Hats are our meeting tradition and for this gathering you might also wish to wear white and carry a yellow rose in honor of suffragettes.

Luncheon Menu: Spinach salad, pork loin with wine and herb

gravy, wild rice, roasted vegetable medley.

Bread pudding with cream for dessert.

Coffee, ice tea or water

Red, white or rose wine

Hostesses: Bee Alive Crafters Round Table Community Care Concern: Seton Home

## December 9th, 2020

General business meeting at 11:00

Program: Joey Groff, "Entrepreneur and Entertainer"

Come for the show! Welcome Joey Groff – **Model T Ford collector** and restorer, musician, and participant in the Battle of Flowers

Parade.

Luncheon Menu:

Waldorf salad, beef tips w/cherries, creamy mashed potatoes, green beans almondine, and The Bright Shawl's "Famous Almond Crunch Cake"

Hostesses: Fiesta Round Table

Community Care Concern: Woodward House Restoration Fund





## **COMING EVENTS**

The January 6th Woman's Club program is "GETTING THE SCOOP ON YOUR SAN ANTONIO RODEO"



### **JACKIE VAN DE WALLE**

Director for the San Antonio Livestock Exposition Education Fund, Inc. Van De Walle began her work as a volunteer with the Stock Show & Rodeo back in the early 1980s. She became a life member of the organization in 1984 and a director in 1986. In 2013 she was inducted to the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo Hall of Fame.

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Revenues	
Actendes	
Dues	2,581.03
Initiation Fees	200.00
Property Usage	432.50
Round Table Assessments	450.00
Donations - Cash	3,360.00
Donations - In Kind	1,186.68
General Meeting Lunches	150.00
Christmas Faire Vendor (for 2019)	250.00
Newsletter Ad Income	25.00
Attic Sale Income	36.95
Interest income	2.05
Dividend income	808.28
Total Revenues	9,482.49
<u>Expenses</u>	
Fiesta Medals	608.43
General Meeting (speakers' gifts, donated)	151.73
Bank/Credit Card Charges	10.60
Scholarships: Alamo Colleges Foundation	
Phone & Internet	227.24
Insurance - House & Liability	1,200.00
Utilities	930.70
Water	348.57
Trash Disposal	95.49
House/Kitchen Supplies	35.00
Maintenance & Repairs	1,230.00
Pest Control	140.00
	2.1.20
Total Expenses	14,977.76
Net Loss	(\$ 5,495.27)



**ROSE WILLIAMS & MANU GINOBILI** 

On February 3<sup>rd</sup> the Woman's Club welcomes:

## ROSE WILLIAMS.

Rose is shown above with one of her fans, Spurs legend Manu Genobili. Rose is an Auschwitz survivor. At our February meeting she will speak about her experiences as recounted in her book Letters to Rose, a Holocaust Memoir.

## **OCTOBER AT THE MANSION**

THANK YOU, NANCY HEIN FOR YOUR PROGRAM ON THE HISTORY OF THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF SAN ANTONIO. YOU CAN WATCH NANCY'S VIDEO, "A VISIT TO THE PAST"

**ON YOUTUBE:** https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y7WAhFky3S0&t=1s



Rosemary in full costume for her Presentation – no simple mask for her!

Did you know we had two programs at the Club in October? The American Home & Garden October program was presented by Rosemary Reyna-Sanchez, who was born on Oct. 30. Ever since then she has been interested in Halloween and Day of the Dead cultures.

Rosemary shared about some of the origins of Halloween and asked the members at the luncheon to share among us some of their favorite Halloween memories.



Patsy is distributing the Yearbook at the October meeting. If you did not pick up your 2020-21 WCSA Yearbook then, you may pick it up now or at the November meeting.

We owe a big "thank you" to Gail Jarrett, Patte Pfeiffer and Marsha Metz for creating and editing the Yearbook. Patsy Pelton assembled and printed the Yearbooks as a gift to the Club.



# Care and Concern

As reported from Susan Moreland-Goza

Member, Lea Fagin, is recovering from surgery.

Member, Sara Fitzgerald, and her husband, Ike, both suffered serious falls.

Sara is home from the hospital but lke has had a second hospitalization.

Member, Pam Patton, has been undergoing treatment for cancer.

Member, Billie Arredondo, had an echocardiogram.

Past member, Pat Berry, passed away on October 19th.



Update: Member, Lisa Nelle Head, will be added to your Yearbook by email listing.



## **ROUND TABLES**

In the October issue of Rustling Leaves, Noontide shared their club activities and member appreciation.

The Friendship Round Table has announced new officers as of their October 13th meeting. Congratulations:

Chair: Patricia Broyles Vice Chair: Betty Lewandowski

Secretary: Kathy Tarkington Treasurer: Orbilia Hayes

All members of the Woman's Club of San Antonio are invited to join the Friendship Round Table. They meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at the Club at 11:30 for lunch and a short program.

If you would like an announcement for your Round Table in the Rustling Leaves, please email your request to: womansclubnewsletter@gmail.com

Descriptions of each Round Table purpose and activities will also be included, space available. Our Round Tables are: American Home & Garden, Bee Alive Crafters, Books & Letters, Bridge, Carousel, Fine Arts, Friendship, Modernist, Fiesta, Noontide, Soiree & of course Ingenue.

The Woman's Club of San Antonio was organized October 1, 1898. We consistently strive to live up to our mission statement: For mutual improvement and cooperation in all charitable and educational undertakings that pertain to the greater good of humanity. We welcome new members all year to come and join us! Visit our website at <a href="https://www.thewomansclubofsa.org">www.thewomansclubofsa.org</a> under the MEMBERSHIP tab for information and application.

Office hours: 10:00 - 3:00 M - F. To call ahead and confirm: 210-732-4811. Email: womansclubofsa@aol.com

## THE GINGERBREAD GIRLS!

The all-volunteer factory was humming Monday at the Woodward House! L-R below: Kathy Littlefield, Gail Jarrett, Patte Pfeiffer, Gloria Tate, Angela Pfeiffer, and Susan Adamson kept it going for the Woman's Club traditional **Gingerbread House Kits**. The kits will be available again this year for \$20 each. 100% of the proceeds will go to the house maintainance & restoration. The kits are a great at-home activity that family & kids will especially enjoy this year. We will not be able to offer these treats at a Christmas Faire so please be sure to share availablilty with your neighbors & friends. You may reserve your kits with a call to Karin Fee @ 210-352-0467. Email the Woman's Club: <a href="www.womansclubofsa@aol.com">www.womansclubofsa@aol.com</a>



# THE TALENTED MEMBERS OF THE WOMAN'S CLUB HAVE NEW IDEAS FOR YOUR HOLIDAYS SUPPORT YOUR CLUB WITH YOUR HOLIDAY SHOPPING AND DECORATING

## The Boutique

The Boutique will have a table set up at the luncheon. Many new items will be available. Gifts, decorating and fun stuff are specialties. Remember the wonderful shopping brochure the Boutique Team published for Halloween? A new brochure is coming your way. Check your email for your issue. Additionally, because our Boutique has gone virtual, you may follow the link on "The Woman's Club of San Antonio" Facebook page to see what they have available. It is an open page so tell your friends to check it out! ONE HUNDRED PERCENT of the proceeds of the Boutique will be going to the maintenance of the Woodward House.

#### Bee Alive Crafters Round Table

This talented group has been hard at work making special holiday treats and decorations. They will not only be our hosts at the November luncheon, they will be set up upstairs by the ballroom so you may shop for all the wonderful items they have to offer. What a great opportunity to get a head start on decorating for Thanksgiving and Christmas with some very special items.

The group has earmarked 50% of sales for the maintenance of the Woodward House.

Bee Alive Crafters is a "hands on" group with members giving instructions on projects – or just learning and doing with crafts. Their first regular meeting will be in January and all are welcome to join. The current president is Iris Frances. irisann200@yahoo.com



#### Club Collectibles

2020 collectors' Fiesta medals are on sale now for your stocking stuffers, package wrap or decorating ideas.

A vintage medal may be just the stocking stuffer or totally Texas tree ornament/wreath decoration you need for the holidays! Did you know we have vintage pins, medals and handsome paperweights going back to 1991?

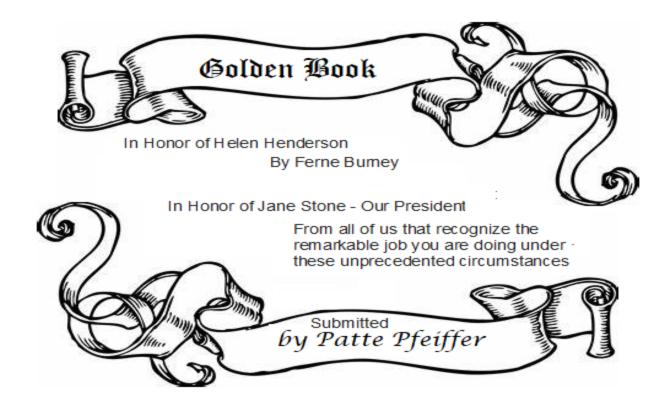
How about a making a wreath that you can use in December *and* April just by changing the bow/ribbons? Should someone float the idea of a Zoom class on wreath making? If you are giving a bottle of wine at Christmas why not embellish by tying a WCSA Medal around the neck with a festive bow.

Whether you wish a wreath of medals or a wreath simply accentuated with medals, your Club can help you with your plan.





The beautiful new People ~ Purpose ~ Possibilities plaque is up in the Woodward House. We give thanks to all who contributed to the Kathryn Littlefield Restoration Fund in 2020. If you are coming to the Woodward House for the November meeting/program/luncheon, as you exit the elevator on the main floor take a look at this new recognition marker.



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